

## DECLARATION — Utility or Design Patent Application

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

U.S. Parent Application or PCT Parent Number	Parent Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Parent Patent Number (If applicable)

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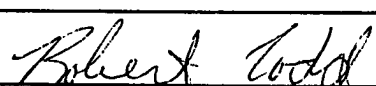
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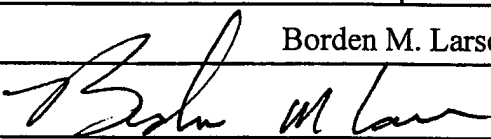
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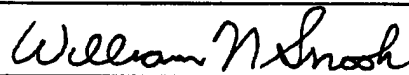
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<b>DECLARATION</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S)</b> <b>Supplemental Sheet</b> Page 3 of 3
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At least one error upon which reissue is based is described as follows:

U.S. Patent No. 5,979,350 issued on November 9, 1999 from Application Serial Number 09/036,826 filed March 9, 1998. U.S. Patent No. Des. 409,972 issued on May 18, 1999 from Application Serial Number 29/078,494. A Petition to Correct Inventorship for U.S. Patent No. Des. 409,972 was filed May 2, 2000 to correctly identify Robert Todd, Borden M. Larson and William N. Snook as co-inventors. Assignments from correctly named co-inventors to Correct Craft, Inc. were executed and filed for recording.

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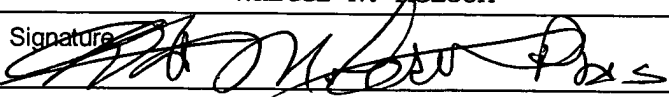
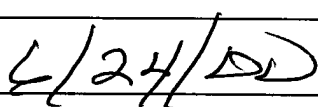
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## REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,979,350, granted 11/9/1999, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled \_\_\_\_\_.

# Water Sport Towing Apparatus and Method

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as reissue application number \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

☒ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.

☐ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

☒ by reason of other errors.

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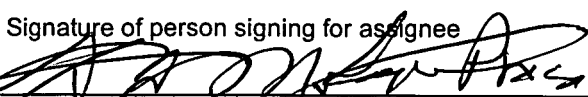
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<b>REISSUE APPLICATION BY THE ASSIGNEE, OFFER TO SURRENDER PATENT</b>		Docket Number (Optional) 20238.2RE
This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.		
Name of Patentee(s): Borden M. Larson, et al.		
Patent Number 5,979,350	Date Patent Issued 11/9/1999	
Title of Invention Water Sport Towing Apparatus and Method		
Correct Craft, Inc. is the assignee of the entire interest in the original patent.		
I offer to surrender the original patent.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A certificate under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is attached.		
I am authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.		
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.		
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Signature of person signing for assignee 		Date 6/27/00
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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTED INVENTORSHIP  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.324**

PATENT NO.	:	409,972
DATED	:	May 18, 1999
INVENTOR(S)	:	Robert Todd, Winter Park, Florida; Borden M. Larson, Orlando, Florida; and William N. Snook, Orlando Florida.; as Amended.

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent are hereby corrected as shown below:

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